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The Great Northwest. Mr. M. E. Sloan of the census bureau addressed the members of the Capital Camera Club at the club rooms Saturday evening on "The Great Northwest," illustrating Wisconsin to the Pacific coast. Mr. Sloan described his trip in vivid terms, touching upon the romantic interest attached to this

STANDS REVIEWING

Those Under Process of Construction for Inaugural Day.

WORK BEGUN ON THE COURT OF HONOR

Large Number of Civic Organizations Expected to Attend.

PLANS OF THE STUDENTS

The work of erecting the various reviewing and observation stands that were authorized for the inauguration has been in progress for several days at different points along Pennsylvania avenue, and the structures are now beginning to assume characteristic shape. One of the most successful efforts of the inaugural committee of 1901 has been directed toward the reviewing stands, which will this year be things of beauty. They will not, however, be joys forever, but will possess that quality of comfort and happiness as long as they are allowed to do duty.

Mr. John B. Larner, chairman of the committee on parks and reviewing stands, has been indefatigable in his work in connection with the stands. It was at the suggestion of his committee that the inaugural committee decided to provide for a court of honor extending along Pennsylvania avenue from 15th to 17th streets, the tall pillars marking the course to extend over the semi-circle grive in front of the White House and within the Executive Mansion grounds. It was also at Mr. Lar-ner's suggestion that the committee decided upon the construction and management



Mr. Geo. Gibson. Chairman Committee a Street Illuminations.

of four reviewing stands at the respective corners of the court of honor, accommodating in the neighborhood of 7,000 persons. The presidential stand will be at the southwest corner of the court and will unloubtedly be the last completed on account of the elaborateness of the President's box. which will be inclosed in glass and heated All of the stands are to be built upon one general design, and will thus conform in a striking and artistic manner. They will be more costly and appropriate for the octhem into being than ever before. Mr. Larner's committee in-cluded a number of architects, who were brought together under a subcommittee on design headed by Mr. Glenn Brown. Through the work of this subcommittee with the committees on civic organizations the inaugural body was relieved of a heavy the only cost of the designs an the pay of a few draftsmen. The inaugural committee on parks and reviewing stands will control the sale of seats in the four stands of the court of honor, and through arrangement of Chairman Larner an office r the sale of tickets and for the purpose giving information was opened today at 1338 F street, where a clerk of the committee and oftentimes members will be

The preliminary work on the court of honor has also been begun, and tall wooden spire-like structures have begun to rear their heads along the thoroughfare. When completed, it is declared, this court will be the handsomest affair of its kind heretofore attempted. Senator Hanna is to entertain the mem-

bers of the republican national committee and their families in a stand being erected for that purpose on the site of the old Department of Justice, or Freedmen's bank building, which will accommodate 300 persons. This stand will be inclosed in glass, and heating arrangements are also being made for it. Senator Hanna, it is understood, will have lunch served to his guests, so that their enjoyment of the parade may be complete. Heretofore the members of the national committees of the various partles immediately concerned in the inaugurations have had to shift for stands or else have been compelled to witess the parade from some window or from among the crowds massed on the sidewalks. Senator Hanna's stand will im-mediately adjoin the northeast stand of the court of honor, which will extend across Madison place. The clerks of the Department of Justice will have a place reserved for them in the northeast stand, and the clerks of the Treasury Department will be accommodated in the south-east stand, which will extend in front of east stand, which will extend in front of the treasury building.

The saw mill which has been erected in Executive avenue between the White House and the State, War and Navy buildings has attracted no end of attention from visitors who are somewhat surprised o see such a rural machine in the heart of the national capital. The buzzing, whirparing the lumber for use in the construction of the rougher parts of the stands. The art of the most modern planing mill will, however, be apparent in the finished structure, including a front of Grecian pil-

lars, bringing the design in conformation with the court of honor.

The Stands Elsewhere. Work is also progressing rapidly on the big reviewing stands along the park in front of the Capital Traction Company's power house site, about the fountain at

CHILDREN.

Nearly all children like tin's Ferry and its property was sold at auction. Mr. Cahill, who was at the sale, bid in a few donkeys, the elephant and a Scott's Emulsion. They like it because it is good for them. Most children

Whooping Cough, Croup. he harnessed it up and the animal worked nicely. He did so well that they have given up the idea of starting a circus, and Diphtheria, and the many disorders incident to childhood, are apt to leave them in a weak, delicate condition; their ordinary food gregational Church, and Dr. Bischoff has does not properly nourish

SCOTT'S EMULSION supplies the elements, lack= ing in the food, to give Elizabeth Antoinette Stewart, contralto, and Jessie B. F. Grant, organist. Of course them strength and flesh. It is remarkable how children thrive on this food-

9th street and Pennsylvania avenue and in front of the Center market space, be-tween 7th and 9th streets. These three stands are being erected by reputable hold-ers of concessions and will be the only ones on Pennsylvania avenue east of 15th street. The stands will conform to those in the court of honor. The unsightly rough board structures of days gone by seem to be indeed things of the past, never

ticipate each as a body.

School Children of Chicago.

Mr. George L. Wood, representing a Chi-

cago newspaper, and bearing credentials

from Mayor Carter Harrison of the windy

city, is here making arrangements for the

will be brought here to see the inaugura-

twenty-five doctors and matrons. The chil-

features of the inaugural occasion they will be shown all the sights of Washington

Mr. Wood states that he wishes to have a special reviewing stand built for the chil-

Innugural Souvenir.

chaser of a ball ticket. The volume is a decid-

the government. The book contains the pertraits of all the Presidents of the United

tee by the bureau of engraving and printl-

ing, and are, therefore, authentic. The ac-

counts of inaugurations were compiled from records in the Congressional Library, and

Reosevelt, is the frontisplece, and was made at the bureau of engraving and

printing. The book is an eminent success, marked throughout by a rich simplicity

that it is believed will appeal to all people

Chairman Edson expressed his enthusiastic

approval of the volume and complimented Mr. Wight and his committee in the high-

est terms.
"It is a souvenir people will treasure,

said Mr. Edson, "and the finest of its kind I believe ever issued. It is artistic and

Large List of Civic Organizations.

and on public comfort: Young Men's Republican Club, Wilming-

ton, Del., 150 men and band, quartered at the Ardmore, 518 13th street; Garret A.

Hobart Association, Newark, N. J.; Fre-linghuysen Lancers' Association, Newark, N. J., 150 men and drum corps; West Ches-

Pa., 100 men and band: Toneka Republican

Flambeau Club, Topeka, Kan., 100 men and band; Continental '76 Club, Philadel-

Pennsylvania avenue and 6th street; Bloomington Zouaves, Bloomington, Ind.

Republican League, state of Georgia, At-

lanta, Ga.; Minneapolis Republican Flam-beau Club, Minneapolis, Minn., quartered at 1st and B streets southeast, 100 men;

Americus Republican Club, Pittsburg, Pa. 150 men, Harrison Club, Philadelphia, Pa.

187 men, quartered at Ebbitt House, 14th and F streets; C. P. Huntington Republi-can League Club, Newport News, Va.: Vir-

ginia Republican Association; Carlisle In dian School Cadets, Carlisle, Pa.; W. W

Greist Club, Lancaster, Pa.; Roosevelt Republican Club, St. Paul, Minn.; Lancaster

Republican Glee Club, Lancaster, Ohio, 50 men; Railsplitters of Toledo, Ohio, 150 men,

located at Cairo; Union League Club of Baltimore, Md., quartered at Grand Army

Hall, Pennsylvania avenue between 14th and 15th streets; A. C. Harmer Republican

Campaign Club, Philadelphia, Pa., 200 men,

quartered at National Hotel, Pennsylvania

avenue and 6th street; Hamilton Club of

Chicago, Ill., 200 men; Third Congressional District Republican Association, Baltimore,

Md., 500 men; Roosevelt Marching Club, Minneapolis, Minn., 75 men, quartered at Harper's Hall, 467 C street; Lincoln Club.

100 men; Union County Republican Asso-ciation, Elizabeth, N. J., 200 men; Taylor

District Republican Club, Unionville, Va.; Fremont Iowa Association, Des Moines,

Iowa; Stamina Republican League, Cincin-

nati, Ohio, 150 men, quartered at Lawrence

Hotel: Syracuse Escort, Syracuse, N. Y., 75 men and band of forty pieces; Harry S.

Scott Seventh Ward Republican Associa-

tion, Philadelphia, Pa.; James L. Goodall

Republican Beneficial Association, Phila-

ELEPHANT AT THE PLOW.

West Virginia Farm.

James Cahill of Roney's Point is the only

person in West Virginia, and probably in the

United States, who has in regular use upon

his farm an elephant which is used for

With the swaying beast hitched up

to a plow he can turn more ground than

any of his neighbors with a team of horses.

and when it comes to hauling logs the ele-

phant will walk away with ease with logs

which the best teams of his neighbors can-

not move. The elephant eats little more

than a horse and does many times the work of one, is gentle and docile and little

trouble, and Mr. Cahill is more than pleased with his experiment. Several

months ago a small circus broke up at Mar-

tent, and took them home, expecting to start a small show himself. His father,

Patrick Cahill, a frugal Irishman, decided that a beast of the size of an elephant

could not remain on the farm and be fed

unless it paid for its board with labor, so

The Bischoff Concert.

will take place tomorrow night at the Con-

prepared an excellent program. The par-

ticipants will be the Congregational Church

quartet, consisting of Mrs. Hattie Meads

Smith, soprano; Miss Edna Scott Smith, contralto; Douglass G. Miller, tenor, and

Dr. Bischoff will give an organ solo and

Nurse Appointed.

will be the accompanist to the soloists.

The second Bischoff concert this season

will keep the elephant on the farm.

. quartered at Howard House

Pioneer Corps, No. 1.

chaste and is a fine success."

their respective inaugurations. The

While a number of the larger universities of the country have found it impossi-ble to send a body of students to participate in the inaugural parade, nearly all will be represented by a few, at any rate, and Mr. Wallace Donald McLean, chairman

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AUCTION SALES. LUL Page 5 DEATHS......Page EXCURSIONS.......Page 12 FINANCIAL......Page FOR RENT (Flats)......Page 4 of the intercollegiate subcommittee of the committee on civic organizations, estimates that fully 2,000 college men will be in line. Quite a rivalry, it is stated, has sprung up between the students of George-town and Columbian universities, and it is FOR RENT (Rooms)......Page town and Columbian universities, and it is expected that each institution will turn out a representation of not less than 400 men.

Banners and flags will be a feature of Horses AND VEHICLES.

Banners and For Rale (Miscellaneous).

FOR SALE (Miscellaneous).

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HORSES AND VEHICLES. the college section. The students of Co-lumbian are corresponding with an outfit-HOTELS......Page 5 LADIES' GOODS......Page ting house with a view of arranging for some sort of uniform to be worn in the LEGAL NOTICES.......Page 5 LOST AND FOUND......Page 4 The cadet corps of the West Virginia Uni-MARRIAGES......Page 7 versity, at Morgantown; St. John's, at Annapolis, and the Maryland Agricultural College, at Hyattsville, are expected to par-OCEAN TRAVEL......Page 5

UNPLEASANT WEATHER PROMISED. ducted by the Chicago board of educa-tion. They will travel on a special train of

UNDERTAKERS......Page 5

SUBURBAN PROPERTY......Page 4

Indications for Snow or Rain Tonight Pullman cars and will be accompanied by and Tomorrow. dren will have an outing of ten days, and aside from witnessing the parade and other Forecast till 8 p.m. Tuesday.-For the District of Columbia. Maryland and Virginia, snow or rain tonight and probably Tuesday: fresh northeasterly winds, becoming

brisk on the coast. Weather conditions and general foreeast.—The southwest storm is central this morning in the Gulf of Mexico off the Mr. John B. Wight, chairman of the comsouthern Texas coast. The area of snow and rain is far in advance, having reached mittee on invitations and tickets, has received the first copy of the official inaugural the Ohio valley on the west, and North Carolina on the east. souvenir which will be given to each pur-

The weather is clear and much colder in the northwest. Zero temperatures prevail in the Dakotas, Nebraska, Minnesota and edly handsome affair, bound in board and embellished with a gold eagle on the front in the mountain regions of Wyoming and page, the simple design being distinctive of Montana.

The weather will clear in Texas and the pertraits of all the Presidents of the United west Gulf states tonight, and in the Ohio States, together with a brief account of valley and south Atlantic states Tuesday. Rain or snow will fall in the Ohio valley, the middle and south Atlantic states totraits in the book are half-tone reproduc-tions of steel plates furnished the commitnight, and there will be snow or rain in New England and the eastern portion of the middle Atlantic states Tuesday. On the New England coast fresh westerly

winds will become variable, shifting to northeasterly, Tuesday. On the middle and mr. Wight presented the first volume of the souvenir to Chairman Jno. Joy Edson. A finely engraved design, containing por
Drogident McKinley and Mr.

Drogident McKinley and Mr. and on the east coast Tuesday. Steamers which depart today for European ports will have variable winds, shifting to fresh easterly to the Grand Banks.

The following heavy precipitation (in inches) has been reported during the past wenty-four hours: Vicksburg, 1.10. During the twenty-four hours, ending 8 m. Sunday: Yuma, 2.42. Records for Twenty-Four Hours.

The following were the readings of the bureau for the twenty-four hours beginparticipate in the parade is being increased daily. Some idea as to the extent of this division of the inaugural parade may be had from the following list of clubs and ning at 2 p.m. yesterday: Thermometer-February 10, 4 p.m., 36; 8 had from the following list of clubs and associations which are in correspondence p.m., 30.32; 12 midnight, 30.36. February 11, . 30.36; 8 a.m., 30.39; noon, 30.35; 2

p.m., 30.25. Condition of the Water.

Temperature and condition of water at 8 a.m.-Great Palls, temperature, 33; condition, 36; receiving reservoir, temperature, 34; condition at north connection, 36; condition at south connection, 36; distributing reservoir, temperature, 34; condition at influent gate house, 36; effluent gate house, 36. Tide Table.

Today-Low tide, 7:07 a.m. and 8 p.m.; high tide, 12:37 a.m. and 1:12 p.m. Tomorrow-Low tide, 7:52 a.m. and 8:55 p.m.; high tide, 1:24 a.m. and 2:03 p.m. The Sun and Moon.

Today-Sun rises, 6:59 a.m.; sun sets, 5:30

Moon rises, 1:29 a.m. tomorrow. Tomorrow-Sun rises, 6:58 a.m. The City Lights.

The city lights and naphtha lamps all lighted by thirty minutes after sunset; extinguishing begun one hour before sunrise. All arc and incandescent lamps lighted fifteen minutes after sunset and extinguished forty-five minutes before sunrise.

SUGGESTED REGULATIONS.

Means by Which It is Believed Col-

lisions May Be Averted. Mr. T. H. Fitman of 410 5th street, re-Mr. T. H. Fitman of 410 5th street, referring to the recent collision between truck B and a Metropolitan car, has written Commissioner Ross suggesting that the Commissioners require the drivers of the New York city, 300 men, quartered at Riggs House: Tippecanoe Club, Cleveland, Ohio, 100 men; Union County Republican Assofire department apparatus, when about to cross a street on which cars are run, to his belief, because in his business trips to turn either to the right or left before crossing, and proceed along such street to the next corner thereof. If this should be the rule, Mr. Fitman is of the opinion that it would not be possible for the firemen and the motormen to miss seeing one another. "As a general thing," says Mr. Fitnam, the engines and trucks must turn one way or the other, but even as in yesterday's accident, where the locality of the fire is on the same street as the engine house, what compared to the awful catastrophe attend-

ing such impetuous rush?
"Were such a rule in force yesterday, the driver of the truck, knowing that he must turn, would have so slaskened speed as to make such turn safely, and all would have been well. This consideration acquires greater force when it is remembered that in the majority of cases alarms are either farm work, says a special dispatch to the false or amount to but trifles in the way Baltimore Sun from Parkersburg, W. Va. of loss."

> Two prominent lawyers of Owingsville, Ky., tossed up a silver dollar to see who should withdraw from the race for county attorney.

IN THE AIR.

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when an epidemic of the discase is prevailing the air is laden with it. The reason every one does not have the disease at the same time is because the persons who are

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enjoying perfect health are able to successfully resist and throw off the infection, while those who for any reason are not in the best of health fall ready victims. The first symptoms are those of acute catarrh, resembling a hard cold, and if prompt treatment is applied at this time it can easily be broken up; one of the best remedies at this stage is Stuart's

Catarrh Tablets, sold by druggists everywhere, and if taken freely, say one tablet every hour or two for two or three days, the danger of pheumonia and serious complications will be averted. The Rev. L. E. Palmer, Baptist clergyman, of suffered for years. I feel that I can freely and conscientiously recommend them." Persons who suffer from catarrh of the head and

throat are very susceptible to La Grippe, and such will find a pleasant, convenient and safe remedy

AIM AT ANNEXATION

Substantial Classes in Cuba, However, Make No Movement for It. CONSERVATIVES ARE NOT ORGANIZED

Take the Initiative.

INTERVIEWS ON SUBJECT

Looking to the United States to

(Copyright, 1901, by C. M. Pepper.) Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

HAVANA, February 6, 1901. The Cuban conservative party is not yet in being. I write this because there seems to be a feeling in the United States that with the new constitution forcing the early to attend the inauguration. The empire state "middles" will arrive on a special train Sunday night, March 3, and will return at midnight March 4.

Page 5 views, something should be heard from this organization of which so much was promised under the name of the "annexation" or turn at midnight March 4. political party. The criticism is unjust and is, made in ignorance. After a time the merchants and the planters and the moderinterest, will get together. The reciprocity tion at the expense of the paper. The party will be made up of boys and girls from the fourth grade up. The children will be selected, two from each grade, in a competitive examination now being con-

when so much is heard of annexation senti-ment, so little is seen of an annexation movement. The Spaniard always looked to the government to take the initiative. When the government of Spain was replaced by the American authority he was unable to understand the difference. Knowing that it was for his interests and the interests of the sugar planters, and thinking it was for the interests of the United States to force annexation, the Spanish merchant held back and waited for the United States to take the initiative. He had no notion of himself originating such a project. talked to American army officers and American business men, told them that the substantial classes were for annexation. and was content with their assurance that forcible annexation by moral suasion would

Characteristic Inertla.

That was what the Spanish classes in Cuba up to today have been expecting. Though they have an enormous stake in the future of the island, they have not got beyond the inertia of expectation. The Spanish government used to do everything of that sort, and they thought the American government would do the same. This explains their attitude of incredulous surprise at the probability of the Cuban constitution being put into effect. To their minds the good faith of the United States and its good name have nothing to do with

The Cubans who distrust the capacity of their own people to maintain an indepen-dent government showed a little more knowledge of American ideas, yet they also displayed the characteristic inertia. They talked annexation, and in a feeble way sought to establish a propaganda in Cuba. But when the test came their moral courage failed them, and they took refuge

events might evolve.

I do not know any better way to illustrate the mental attitude of the Spanish classes and of a certain element among the Cubans than by citing individual instances, which are typical. Less than a month ago I talked with a Havana merchant who probably would be looked upon as the most representative Spaniard in the city, both business and in public affairs, so far as he and his kind ever took part in public affars. His financial interests are as large sustain its policy when tinged with lib-eralism. He was the head of the Spanish commercial element.

Believes Constitution of No Consequence.

Within a month this man told me that he and the commercial classes for whom he stands were paying no attention to what the constitutional convention was doing. He refused utterly to believe that its proceedings were of the slightest consequence, or would be taken seriously in the United States. He was interested in the removal of the export duty on tobacco because to-bacco is one branch of his business, but he dld not think it worth while to seek the support of the members of the constitutional convention in asking for the re-moval of this duty.

This Havana merchant had been in Lon-

keep Cuba. It did not seem to occur to him that London was not the best place for determining American public sentiment, yet he may have found some justification for New York he got the same assurance. How the United States was going to keep Cuba without its people asking to be kept did not concern him. He had no faith in local government or in general government under independent rule. Even with the United States keeping Cuba he had no conception

of popular institutions. Instead, his mind was filled with a military system of government which would free the business community from all worry.

As to the crisis which was coming, he simply passed it over as of slight moment.
"The United States," he said, "will build
the Nicaragua canal. It must have Cuba for its own protection. Besides, if it lets an independent government be established. these Cubans will make commercial treattes with other countries, which will be hostile to the American nation." I did not question the force of his observations, but on the immediate situation he was absolutely dumb. He was sure the American authority would fix it so that the constitutional convention could be ignored, and he and his associates would not have to undergo any responsibility.

Views of Another Authority. Another Spaniard, who is not a merchant, is universally admitted to be the best informed man in the island about Spanish politics and Cuban affairs. During the times of Weyler and Blanco I went to him often for information, and always found it correct. He was powerful enough through official connections in Mad-rid to defy Weyler. No one saw more clearly than he the coming end of Spanish domination in the Antilles, even at the time when many persons in the United States thought it might be propped up for a few years more. Once during a period of temporary hopefulness on the part of the Span-ish authorities and of corresponding depression among the insurgents I sought his opinion. This was given with Catalonian brevity. "Black, black, black," said, referring to the outlook for Spain. Since the American occupation this man has been a keen but not an unjust critic of American administration. He has been even keener in pointing out the evidences of Cuban incapacity. He knows all the weaknesses of Latin character and temperament and he can prophesy almost to a certainty what will be the course of an The Rev. L. E. Palmer, Baptist clergyman, of Ceresco, Mich., makes a statement of interest to all catarrh and grip sufferers. He says: "Stuart's sible. A few weeks back, when I called Catarrh Tablets have certainly been a blessing be on him, he was insisting on treating the me. I have used them freely this fall and winter and have found them a safeguard against La Grippe and catarrhal troubles, from which I had suffered for years. I feel that I can freely and the American administration pursue a pol-icy of gradually turning over the island to the Cubans. That there was such a thing as public sentiment and pledged faith he could not understand.

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10th and F sts. n.w. authorities also have been subjected to He sees all the difficulties of prospective criticism because of the fallure of this con- Cuban government and for them he has servative sentiments to crystallize into a evolved only one remedy. That remedy is force. His plan is the coup d'etat, the wiping out of the present municipal councils and establishing a centralized military bu-reaucracy. I have found it a fruitless work ate people of the island, drawn by common to seek to explain to him that whether Cuba be annexed or not the American idea of free institutions rests on local self-gov-ernment, and that however great the dedoing what it is the business of the conservative people of Cuba to do, that is of the land owners and the mercantile classes, there was no chance of the spontaneous union of the property interests. One has to understand Spanish character to know why, when so much is heard of annexation sentiment, so little is seen of that this is the program which should be

A third instance is that of one of those rare individuals, a Cuban financier and man of business. He lives in one of the interior cities, and has the management of important financial enterprises. During the holidays I renewed an acquaintanceship formed some years back. He was hopeful regarding the industrial recuperation of the country and spoke enthusiastically of what the Cuban country people had done face of overwhelming obstacles. With the political situation he told me he was not concerning himself. He had been educated in the United States, his boys had been educated there and all of them were annexationists. But this Cuban explained to me he was a business man and not a politician. So he had taken no part in electing delegates to the constitutional convention, and looked upon its proceedings as a farce Confident of Rejection.

Whatever constitution the delegates might draft he was sure the American Congress would reject it. Then in a couple of years another convention might be called, its work reviewed in the same way, and in five or six years the people would get tired of the farce and ask for annexation. In the meantime the military rule would be continued unchanged. With intelligent Cubans holding such views I do not know that army officers and American officials are to be blamed for getting a wrong idea of the prospect in the island.

I have given these three instances which

could be multiplied indefinitely to show why the conservative element in Cuba has failed to make manifest its influence. It had figured out that a certain policy would be followed by the American government and that the government would relieve it securing representation. They turned their backs on him. Their position was that if call a constitutional convention it must manage the affair without help from them. This has been the attitude up to the pres The disappointment among the planters and commercial classes at the failure of the American authorities to pre-pare for a coup d'etat finds in expression the complaint that they have been ignorwas with the government, and though of reactionary political tendencies, sought to sustain its policy when tinged with the graphs. In the circumstance of the control of the circumstance control of Cuba. If it had not been recognized there would have been another in surrection, passive rather than active, which would have frustrated every effort to rehabilitate the island and establish orderly government.

Brooke's and Wood's Cabinets. Though the revolutionary element was recognized in the beginning, this was not the exclusion of the conservative and property owning classes. General Brooke's cabinet was known as "the annexation cabinet." Of its four members only one had been in the field, and he was not an insurgent military chief. One member of Brooke's cabinet was a Spanish civil engineer, who had the confidence of all classes When General Wood took hold he enlarged the membership and took in several the more pronounced revolutionary leaders, but at the same time he recognized the old autonomists as fully as they were willing to assume responsibility. Three members of General Wood's present cabine were autonomists. In the municipal elec-tion last June the conservatives were given every encouragement to take part, but they stood aside on the ground that they could not afford to risk their future standing.

The complaint has been made that the sugar planters and the business men gen-erally and the Spanish classes especially could not afford to take part now in public affairs for fear that their lives and prop-erty would suffer in the future. The fear of their lives is a mythical one. In the country however, there is always the possibil-ity of destruction to the cane fields. And it is possible that the sugar planters in a few localities would suffer if they took an active part. Yet so far as my own observation goes in traveling around, even this fear is exaggerated. It is a temporary condition, and it never can be cured by moral cowardice. In the cities there is not even this excuse, for the business men when they want to do so have no trouble in re-straining the ultra radical Cuban element. Respect for Anti-Revolutionists.

The Spaniards say that they do not want to incur the rancor of the Cubans by seeming to interfere in political affairs, though those of them who did not register as Spanish subjects have the undoubted right to take part in the government. If they undertook to put Spaniards forward for the offices they might be in real danger of in-curring rancor, but it is possible for them to exercise a direct influence on all the Cuban leaders and the factions, and this is

what they have failed to do.

Wherever any one has come forward with the courage of his opinions to antagonize the revolutionary tendencies, he has been respected. Mr. Giberga, the one outspoken annexation member of the constitutional onvention, has been quite plain in criticising the radical policy, and he has not spared individuals. It is true that he has catered to Latin sentiment and has sought to maintain the Latin identity as against American innovation, but in the purely poitical affairs of Cuba he has taken a dis tinct ground which placed him in antago aism to all of the Cuban radicals. Nevertheless, he is on very good terms his associates in the convention. He speaks his mind freely and he has had consideration in framing the constitution. No re-sentment toward him has been shown by the Cuban population. On the contrary his views are received with respect, though

they are not fully accepted.

This shows what one man who is not afraid can do. The business community of Havana could do infinitely more if it were to take a definite stand and maintain it, while the sugar planters also could make their influence respected. But neither class will assume responsibility so long as there is a chance that the United States will relieve them of that responsibility.

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